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Dear Mr. Stacey,

I'm a biologist and a citizen who supports the maintenance and improvement of healthy rivers. I have been active in this regard for over three decades, especially with respect to the Quinnipiac river basin. In the 1970s the Quinnipiac was being polluted by a company in Hamden who successfully cited "secret process" to avoid disclosure and regulation. The company had been allowing a great deal of benzine (a known carcinogen) to be released into the river, among other toxic compounds. I was and am still shocked at the general level of disregard for this river.

I have been shocked with the news of the past few years, where a river around a UCONN campus went dry for a period of months. I want regulations passed soon which protect our rivers from going dry, so I support streamflow standards and enforcement.

However, I feel strongly that degraded rivers in suburban and urban settings should not suffer the fate of becoming legislatively no longer subject to protection. In short, I feel that Class 4 must be eliminated from the proposed streamflow standards regulations.

Thank you for your attention.

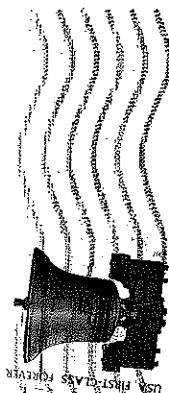
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